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For: OPTICALLY CONTROLLED OPTICAL-PATH-SWITCHING-TYPE DATA  
DISTRIBUTION APPARATUS AND DISTRIBUTION METHOD

**CLAIM FOR PRIORITY WITH ENGLISH  
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Sir:

The benefit of the filing date of the following prior foreign application filed in the following foreign country is hereby requested for the above-identified patent application and the priority provided in 35 U.S.C. §119 is hereby claimed:

2004-074874 filed March 16, 2004 in Japan

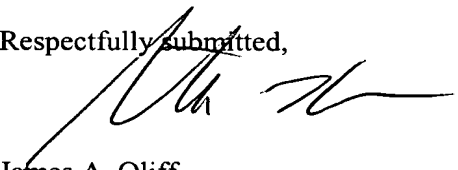
In support of this claim, a certified copy of said original foreign application:

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